

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (currently amended) A document type definition (DTD) stored on a computer readable medium for use in storing, retrieving, searching, or tracking digital assets stored in one or more databases, said DTD comprising declared elements and attributes for at least two types of digital assets, one type selected from the group consisting of photographs, ~~audio recordings, video recordings,~~ movies, graphics, and text documents, and the second type selected from the group consisting of audio recordings and video recordings.
2. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 wherein said document type definition is encoded in extensible markup language (XML).
3. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for photographs and audio recordings.
4. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for photographs and video recordings.
5. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for photographs, audio recordings, and video recordings.
6. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for photographs, audio recordings, and movies.

7. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for photographs and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said photograph metadata, said photograph metadata attributes comprising:

- a definition for black/white;
- a definition for color; and
- a definition for caption.

8. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for audio recordings and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said audio metadata, said audio metadata attributes comprising:

- a definition for music;
- a definition for track title; and
- a definition for duration.

9. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for audio and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said audio metadata, said audio metadata attributes comprising:

- a definition for compact disc (CD) number; and
- a definition for CD title.

10. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for movies and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said movie metadata, said movie metadata attributes comprising:

- a definition for title; and
- a definition for version.

11. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for movies and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said movie metadata, said movie metadata attributes comprising:

a definition for rating;
a definition for minutes; and
a definition for release date.

12. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for movies and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said movie metadata, said movie metadata attributes comprising:

a definition for run time;
a definition for color; and
a definition for synopsis.

13. (original) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for movies and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said movie metadata, said movie metadata attributes comprising:

a definition for director; and
a definition for cast.

14. (currently amended) A document type definition (DTD) stored on a computer readable medium for use in storing, retrieving, searching, or tracking digital assets stored in one or more databases, said DTD comprising declared elements and attributes for at least three types of digital assets, at least one type selected from the group consisting of photographs, ~~audio recordings, video recordings~~, movies, graphics, and text documents, and another type selected from the group consisting of audio recordings and video recordings.

15. (currently amended) A document type definition (DTD) stored on a computer readable medium for use in storing, retrieving, searching, or tracking digital assets stored in one or more databases, said DTD comprising declared elements and attributes for photographic digital assets, audio digital assets, promo digital assets, and voiceover digital

assets, wherein said photographic, audio, promo, and voiceover digital assets are all stored on a same computer readable medium.

16. (currently amended) A document type definition (DTD) stored on a computer readable medium for use in storing, retrieving, searching, or tracking digital assets stored in one or more databases, said DTD comprising:

digital content selected from the group consisting of digitally encoded asset data, a link to a file containing asset data, and a reference to a location where asset data is digitally stored; and

declared elements and attributes for at least three types of digital assets, at least one type selected from the group consisting of photographs, ~~audio recordings, video recordings,~~ movies, graphics, promos, voiceovers, and text documents, and another type selected from the group consisting of audio recordings and video recordings.

17. - 22. (canceled).

23. (currently amended) A digital asset library comprising:

a database stored on a first computer readable medium comprising a plurality of records, one said record identifying a photograph, a second said record identifying a video recording, and a third said record identifying an audio recording; and

a document type definition (DTD) stored on a second computer readable medium comprising declared elements and attributes for photographs, video recordings, and audio recordings, ~~said DTD corresponding to~~ said database records conforming to said DTD.

24. (currently amended) A digital asset library comprising:

a database stored on a first computer readable medium comprising a plurality of records, one said record identifying a photograph, a second said record identifying a video recording, and a third said record identifying ~~an audio recording~~ a text document;

a document type definition (DTD) stored on a second computer readable medium comprising declared elements and attributes for photographs, video recordings, and ~~audio recordings~~ text documents, ~~said DTD corresponding to~~ said database records conforming to said DTD; and

digital content stored on a third computer readable medium comprising a photograph, a video recording, and ~~an audio recording~~ a text document associated with said DTD and said database records.

25. (currently amended) A digital asset library ~~stored in a computer system,~~
~~said library~~ comprising:

a database stored on a first computer readable medium comprising a plurality of records, said records identifying at least two types of digital assets, at least one type selected from the group consisting of still images, ~~audio recordings, video recordings,~~ movies, graphics, voice-overs, promos, and text documents, and the second type selected from the group consisting of audio recordings and video recordings;

a document type definition (DTD) stored on a second computer readable medium comprising declared elements and attributes for said at least two types of digital assets, ~~said DTD corresponding to~~ said database records conforming to said DTD; and

digital content of said at least two types of digital assets stored on a third computer readable medium and associated with said DTD and said database records.

26. - 30. (canceled).

31. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 1 further comprising metadata for rights management of said at least two types of digital assets.

32. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 31 wherein said rights management metadata comprises a contract identifier.

33. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 31 wherein said rights management metadata comprises an availability start date.

34. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 31 wherein said rights management metadata comprises an availability end date.

35. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 31 wherein said rights management metadata identifies a copyright holder.

36. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 31 wherein said rights management metadata comprises an allowed number of plays per agreement.

37. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 31 wherein said rights management metadata indicates whether world wide rights are granted.

38. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for photographs and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said photograph metadata, said photograph metadata attributes comprising a definition for legal restrictions associated with a photograph.

39. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for audio recordings and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said audio metadata, said audio metadata attributes comprising a definition for rights issues regarding use of an audio recording.

40. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for movies and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said movie metadata, said movie metadata attributes comprising a definition for allowable usage of a movie.

41. (previously presented) The document type definition of claim 1 comprising metadata for video recordings and further comprising a plurality of metadata attributes for said video-recordings metadata, said video-recordings-metadata attributes comprising a definition for rights issues regarding use of a video recording.

42. (new) The document type definition of claim 23 wherein said first computer readable medium and said second computer readable medium are the same computer readable medium.

43. (new) The document type definition of claim 24 wherein said first, second, and third computer readable mediums are the same computer readable medium.

44. (new) The document type definition of claim 25 wherein said first, second, and third computer readable mediums are the same computer readable medium.